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In re Application of:  
Wong et al.  
Application No. 09/847,005  
Filed: May 2, 2001  
For: NETWORK COMMUNICATION SYSTEM  
USING ASSIGNED TIMESLOTS FOR NODES  
TO REQUEST A BANDWIDTH AMOUNT FOR  
DATA TRANSMISSION WITH RESULTING  
GRANT FOR THE NODE TO TRANSMIT

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**DECISION ON PETITION  
TO MAKE SPECIAL**


This is a decision on the petition to make special filed on May 2, 2003 under MPEP 708.02 (IV), applicant's age.

A petition to make special under MPEP 708.02, IV, must show that petitioner is 65 years of age, or more. Acceptable evidence includes a birth certificate, copy of a drivers' license, or simply a statement by the applicant. No fee is required.

The petition includes a statement and a copy of inventor Gabriel K. Wong's driver's license indicating that he is more than sixty five years old. Accordingly, the petition is **GRANTED**.

The application will retain its special status throughout its entire prosecution, including any appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, subject only to diligent prosecution by the applicant.

The application will be forwarded to the examiner for expedited action.

  
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